

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5876
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EXPORT OF QUARTZ STONE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of quartz stones / powder exported during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government have any specific plans to support the export of quartz-stone/powder;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the authority entitled to give licence to export quartz blocks / powder?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) : State-wise data on exports is not maintained. Total export of quartz stones / powder (Exim Code 2506) during last three years is as under :-

Qty. in Tons
Value in Rs. crore

1998-99 1999-2000 2000-2001

Qty Value Qty Value Qty Value

27366 9.15 48979 14.65 95650 23.43

(b) to (d) : As per Exim Policy 1997-2002, quartz stones / powder are freely exportable. As such there is no restriction on the export of quartz stones / powder. In fact their exports are showing an increasing trend.